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"Gold Discovery" Commemorated at Marshall Gold Discovery State Park on Friday, January 24

When James Marshall found gold in the tailrace of Sutter's Mill situated on the banks of the American River, on January 24, 1848, he never guessed at the effect his gold find would have on civilization. "Gold!" What was excitedly proclaimed in Coloma that day, echoed around the world propelling the great California Gold Rush.

Commemorating this gold find, Marshall Gold Discovery State Historic Park presents **Gold Discovery Day** 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Friday, January 24 at Marshall Gold State Park, Highway 49, Coloma.

On the agenda for the day: original Gold Rush music by Haydon Mohr, tour of the town and cemeteries, Sutter's Saw Mill presentation, interactive period trade demonstrations, and dedication of the pump organ at the historic Thomas House with an organ recital. Also, Marshall's Mercantile, the expanded museum store, marks its one-year anniversary with special free prize-drawings.

Park entry fee is the regular \$4.00 per vehicle. The event is being sponsored by Marshall Gold Discovery State Historic Park and the Gold Discovery Park Association. For more information call 530 622-3470.